

LOCAL LORE.

(Advertisements in this column charged for at the rate of 10 cents per line.)

—Mrs. Horace Locke left yesterday for Portland for a week's journey.

—Mrs. W. L. Patterson left yesterday for Turner for a visit with friends.

—Miss Helen Crawford returned Saturday from a ten days' visit in Linn county.

—Miss Ethel Starr left for her home in Portland after a two weeks' visit with relatives in Corvallis.

—A. T. Gruggett and family moved yesterday into the cottage on Fourth street made vacant by the removal of R. C. Craven and family.

—H. W. Kaupisch was called to Portland Saturday evening by the very serious illness of his father, J. C. Kaupisch, a former resident of this city.

—Henry Mostard, who has been baker at the Hall establishment for the past two years, left Monday for Portland, accompanied by his family to reside.

—A meeting of the fire department is called for this, Wednesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, to make arrangements for the parade on the 4th, and for disposition of other details.

—Mrs. O. V. Hurt, after examination, was committed to the asylum Monday, and taken there by her husband and Deputy Henderson. More and more the teachings of a false prophet bear fruit.

—A merry-go-round is to be one of the attractions at the celebration. It is to be located on the Callahan lots East across the street from the Jacobs residence. The agent for the outfit was in town Monday to make arrangements for its coming.

—The carpet on the I.O.O.F. hall, that was recently sent to Portland to be cleaned, has been returned and is again on the lodge room floor. Those who had the matter in hand are much pleased with the work done, as the carpet is as bright as new.

—Letters received from them announce that Dr. and Mrs. Pernot of Corvallis, and Dr. and Mrs. Butler of Independence are to leave today on their homeward trip. Miss Bertha Davis will remain in the East for a more extended visit.

H. D. Gibbs who has been relief for Mr. Fulton and Mr. Edwards in chemistry at the college for the past two years, while the latter took post graduates abroad, has gone to Berkeley, to enter the University of California. He left Saturday, accompanied by his mother.

—Two cars of cattle, numbering 51 head were taken to Portland and sold by Punderson Avery Saturday. The bunch averaged 1,200 pounds, weighed in Portland. They are a part of a sale, in which an additional carload is to be shipped. Mr. Avery returned from Portland Monday.

—A number of Benton county people made up a merry party, last Saturday evening and made a trip to Marys Peak, returning Sunday evening. The following made up the crowd, Misses Kate Whitesides, Nora Arrants, Maud McBee, May Guthrie, Gertrude McBee, Booth, McCullum and Messrs Vernon, George Cooper, Jones, J. Cooper, and Clarence Whitesides.

—Another case of smallpox has appeared. The new victim is Jacob Hurlburt, who resides in the country, eight miles south of Corvallis. He came to Corvallis Monday and proceeded to Dr. Lee for a diagnosis of the breaking out on his face. He was at once told that it was smallpox but to make assurance doubly sure, Mr. Hurlburt took additional medical advice. This time he went to Dr. Farra, by whom the same diagnosis was given. Mr. Hurlburt hurried out of town at once. The case is described by the physicians to be well developed, but of mild type.

—Misses Emma and Celia Tortora entertained a number of friends at a picnic at their country home Sunday. The party numbered eighteen, and a most enjoyable day was spent by the guests. Those invited were, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Sheasgreen, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Metzgar, Mrs. Nolan, Mrs. du Moulin, Mrs. Garrow, Misses Annie Thompson, Lorreto Sheasgreen, Kate Gerhard, Anna Maestrik, Adelaide, Bernetta and Carmel Sheasgreen, Gertrude Nolan, Anna Ebner, Victor Nolan and Walter du Moulin.

—Miss Ethel Linsville returned Monday from attendance at the Turner convention.

—Mr. and Mrs. Austin Lafferty have returned after a few days' visit in Albany.

—Miss Mary Nolan returned Monday after a few days' visit with Albany friends.

—John Sutherland returned Saturday from a week's visit with Shedd friends and relatives.

—Lester Humphreys of Cottage Grove, a former OAC student, was the guest of friends over Sunday.

—Clement Springer arrived Saturday from Portland, for a visit with his brother, Rev. Father Springer.

—Miss Jennie Martin, a former resident of Corvallis, but now of Portland, arrived Saturday, and is the guest at the Newhouse home.

—Mordaunt Goodnough leaves for Portland Friday to appear as piano soloist in two recitals to be given by the Western Academy of Music of that city.

—Mrs. Hayer of Los Angeles, arrived Saturday for a six weeks' visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. Alice Wicks. Mrs. Hayer was accompanied by her daughter, Grace.

—Haying is in full blast now, and a large acreage is in the shock. The season is two weeks earlier than usual. The crop is lighter than ordinary, but there is a big acreage, due to the fact that many farmers have increased their meadows in late years. There are large offerings in the local market at about \$7 per ton.

IN ASHES NOW.

Well Known Farm House of Manly Currier Destroyed by Fire.

The farm home of Manly Currier, together with a large part of the contents, was entirely destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The residence was one of the largest and best known in the county, and was located on the Currier farm, a dozen miles south of Corvallis. The fire occurred about ten o'clock in the morning, and originated in a back room in the upper portion of the house. A lighted lamp was left by Richard Scott in a bed room while he went out for a moment. When he returned, he found the room ablaze with flames, whether due to an explosion of the lamp, or otherwise is not known. By the time it was discovered the fire was far beyond control, and the efforts of the family were directed to saving as much of the contents as possible.

The building was a large two-story structure, containing a dozen or fifteen rooms, and covered a large area of ground. A woodshed in the rear stretched away in the direction of the barn, from which it was only about sixty feet removed. Over the woodshed was a workshop, and within a comparatively short time, the whole building was a mass of flames. The removal of furniture soon became difficult, and attention had to be directed to the saving of the barn. Neighbors arrived and did their utmost to assist in the work of saving. Most of the articles from the living parlors and other lower rooms, except the kitchen were saved, as was a quantity of bedding and apparel from the upper story. The piano was carried out, and of the dozen beds in the building, about three were removed. The dishes and kitchen utensils were all burned, as were all the carpets and many other articles of use and value.

The fire lasted for about two hours, and at the end of that time the big farm house had been reduced to smoldering ruins. Dr. Charles Lee and wife of this city, were guests in the house at the time. Many neighbors collected on the scene before the conflagration ended. The family is now camping, three tents having been called into requisition, and the cook wagon that goes with the threshing machine having been utilized, for the purpose. The loss on building and contents is extensive, but no figures are available. It is said that the loss on the house is partially covered by insurance.

Lost.

Ladies blue silk umbrella, wooden handle, left recently in some Corvallis business house. Finder please leave at Times office and receive reward.

Reward.

A reward of \$1 will be paid for the return to the Times office of a pair of gold linked cuff buttons, left with a pair of cuffs at the shooting house on the flat last Friday evening.

IT WILL NOT BE.

The big Union Service for Next Sunday—Churches not Unanimous for it.

The union service of the churches that was planned by the committee to be a leading Sunday feature of the three day's celebration of the 4th, is not to be at all. It was the committee's idea to have a quiet, orderly Sunday between the first and last days of the celebration and for the purpose planned a big union service with all the churches participating for 11 o'clock or the mid-afternoon, to be followed, later by a sacred concert.

But the big union service is not to be. Instead, there will be on the flat near Mary's river bridge, a base ball game between two contesting teams, the game to begin about half past two o'clock. The general committee is disappointed in the turn of affairs, but was unable to provide the union service as scheduled. In the beginning, Revs. Carrick, Green and Moore were appointed a committee of ministers to ascertain and report upon the advisability and possibility of the union meeting. A meeting of the ministerial association was secured by them, and thereat the plan was considered. Subsequently, the committee reported to the general committee that it had developed that unanimous action could not be secured in the churches with reference to the union service. Some further attempt was made with reference to the matter, but it has been finally dropped, and the base ball game has been substituted. The sacred concert, will however, be carried out as originally planned, and will take place on Main street between seven o'clock and 8:30 Sunday evening.

BOWEN BEAT HIM.

A Race for a Land Title—How an Alsea Rancher Saved his Home.

A dusty, travel-stained man waited at the court house, when people came down town to business the other morning. He had been there since the early hours of the morning. It was seven o'clock when the court house janitor appeared, and of him the stranger inquired at what hour the clerk's office would be open. When told that the office opened to the public at eight, the caller settled down for another hour's vigil.

The stranger was Samuel Bowen of Alsea. He has lived on a home stead in that country for the past five years. He has a house and barn, two or three miles of fence, and other improvements. He was on hand the moment the clerk's office opened and he plunged at once into his errand. He explained that he wanted to file on the home-stand. He had never filed an entry on it, but had been holding it on the filing of a former homesteader who had subsequently deserted the place.

When the business was over, Mr. Bowen confided to a friend in town the secret of his anxiety. He had heard late the previous evening that another party was going to jump his home. Because Bowen had never made his entry filing, this was easily possible. Bowen had mounted a horse, immediately on hearing of the other man's intention, and started post haste for Corvallis.

The next day after Bowen made his filing, another party appeared at the clerk's office to file on three-fourths of the land occupied by Bowen, but he came too late. His name was not learned.

Excursion Rates to Yaquina Bay.

On June 1st, the Southern Pacific Co. will resume sale of excursion tickets to Newport and Yaquina Bay. Both season and Saturday to Monday tickets will be sold. This popular resort is growing in favor each year, hotel rates reasonable and the opportunities for fishing, hunting and sea bathing are unexcelled by any other resort on the Pacific Coast.

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BIG HORSE PARADE.

For Next Saturday Afternoon—Will be Feature of Celebration—The Prizes.

A feature of Saturday's exercises for the 4th of July celebration will be a grand parade of all horse flesh, open to all the horses in the country, to take place at the race track, a mile south of town. The parade will precede the racing, and will take place at two p. m. Entry will be open to all horses, single or double, if driven, and to horses under the saddle. Among the prizes will be a \$10 lap robe presented to the best appearing horse and buggy by J. M. Cameron, a \$4 whip for the best team and buggy presented by J. M. Carreron, an elegant whip for the best single horse and buggy, presented by Ingle & Tozier, and a fine lap robe for the best team and buggy, presented by Ingle & Tozier. A suitable prize will also be presented for the best appearing saddle horse, ridden either by a lady or gentleman. Admission to the racing grounds will be 25 cents; tickets for sale at all drug stores and other business houses. The grand stand has been repaired, and comfortable seats have been provided for all who may attend. Buses will run to and from the grounds throughout the afternoon for the accommodation of those who wish to attend the races.

CUPID'S LATE CAPER.

On a Railroad Train—How a Cascade Couple Took in the Excursion.

They took in the Sunday excursion—this certain couple did. They were a laddie and lassie from somewhere in the Cascades, over for a day at the ocean beach. If there is anything in signs, according to the statements of passengers, he loved her and she loved him. They gazed deep down into the depths of each other's eyes and by other manifestations gave evidence of their mutual admiration.

By and by, as they journeyed on, their heads nodded and nodded toward each other, until they finally touched. There had been an early morning start on the train, a day at the beach, and it is not wonderful that they fell asleep, especially with two hearts beating taps on two diaphragms with all the energy with which a small boy lays the sticks for the first time on a new snare drum. It was an innocent peaceful scene of love and trust, but it amused the passengers. Presently, a young woman who doesn't live a thousand miles from Corvallis, took her veil, and with it tied the two tired heads together. Thus linked the two hearts beat on while the cars thundered over the bridges and through the tunnels until Blodgett was reached when there was a stir in the seat of the Cascade lad and lassie. One of them awoke, and in the effort at freedom, the other was awakened. Both tugged at the knotted veil, while all the people in the car looked on and guffawed. When the veil was finally unloosed it was thrown on the floor with a spitefulness to have frightened Carrie Nation in a full career with her hatchet. The spooney couple and the seaside are almost synonymous and this new pair from the Cascades are not the first to afford a careful of people an hour of diversion.

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Notice is hereby given that my son, Belford Nois, aged 16 years has been given his time by me, and that hereafter I will not be responsible for debts contracted by him. Dated at Blodgett, Benton County, this 27th day of June 1904.

William Nois.

For Sale Cheap.

Two pianos, in perfect tune and good condition, at,

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For Sale.

Two Full Blood Bulls for sale. One, registered two year old, and one yearling, subject to registry. Price reasonable.

John E. Wyatt.

Notice to M.W.A.

All members of the M.W.A. are requested to meet at their hall at 9:30 A.M. sharp on July 4th to make arrangements for parade.

O.J. Blackledge, clerk,

Extra Summer Sale

Women's Shirt Waists.

All our women's white and colored summer waists on sale at "Summer Sale" prices.

\$1 25	waists at	\$1 00
1 50	"	1 35
1 75	"	1 35
2 00	"	1 50
2 25	"	1 85
2 50	"	2 10

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Stylishly tailored skirts, all of the latest fabrics. "Summer Sale" prices rule.

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3 50	"	2 85
5 00	"	4 00

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